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Public Utility Commission of Texas

Employee Training Report Required by 16 Texas Admin. Code § 25.97(d)

PROJECT NO. 50595

AFFECTED ENTITY: Mid-South Electric Cooperative Association

General Information

Pursuant to 16 Texas Admin. Code § 25.97(d)(2), not later than the 30th day after the date an affected entity finalizes a material change to a document or training program, the affected entity must submit an updated report. The first report must be submitted not later than May 1, 2020.

Instructions

Answer all questions, fill-in all blanks, and have the report notarized in the Affidavit.

Affidavit

A representative of the affected entity must swear to and affirm the truthfulness, correctness, and completeness of the information provided by attaching a signed and notarized copy of the Affidavit provided with this form.

Filing Instructions

Submit four copies (an original and three copies) of the completed form and signed and notarized Affidavit to:

Central Records Filing Clerk Public Utility Commission of Texas 1701 N. Congress Avenue P.O. Box 13326 Austin, Texas 78711-3326 Telephone: (512) 936-7180 1. Provide a summary description of hazard recognition training documents you provide your employees related to overhead transmission and distribution facilities.

Mid-South Electric Cooperative Association (MidSouth) plans to utilize training provided by Texas Electric Cooperatives, Inc.'s (TEC) Co-Operative Regional Education (C.O.R.E.) program, collectively (TEC C.O.R.E.) to satisfy the training requirements found in HB 4150.

The training provided by the TEC C.O.R.E. program is designed to specifically equip electric utility employees with the knowledge to recognize clearance hazards of overhead power lines.

Course Outline:

- 1.Importance of Hazard Recognition for Overhead Power Lines;
- 2. Vertical and horizontal clearance requirements;
- 3.Importance of an intact system grounding system;
- 4.Isolation and/or grounding of anchor guys;
- 5.Hazard Assessment Management,
 - a. Defining Criteria for Hazard Assessment and Data Collection,
 - b. Analyzing Data and Determining Appropriate Actions,
 - c. Preparing and Executing an Action Plan; and,

6.Report Documentation and Record Maintenance.

Course Materials:

- 1. PowerPoint Presentation prepared by TEC C.O.R.E.;
- 2. Presentation Material Handouts:
- 3. NESC Clearance Handouts; and.
- 4. HB 4150 Law Handout.

2. Provide a summary description of training programs you provide your employees related to the National Electrical Safety Code for construction of electric transmission and distribution lines.

MidSouth plans to utilize TEC C.O.R.E.'s NESC Clearance Requirements. The course was created to educate all utility personnel whose positions require a working knowledge of the NESC rules, which can include engineers, line workers, metering technicians, staking technicians, and Environmental Health and Safety staff.

NESC Clearance Requirements Course Outline:

- 1.Defining sag requirements Rule 230-2;
- 2. Ground clearances Tables 232-1 and 232-2;
- 3.Clearances to buildings and signs Table 234-1;
- Clearances to pools and grain bins Rules 234E and 234F;
- 5. Joint Use clearances Rules 235, 238, and 239.

Summary of Designing Transmission Distribution Lines Crossing Lake Course Outline*:

- 1. Requirements of the HB 4150:
- 2. Lake Crossing Issues;
- 3. NESC Requirements for Lake Crossings,
 - a. Rule 232 Clearances,
 - b. Rule 241 Required Grade of Construction of lake crossings,
 - c. Rule 250D Application of Extreme Ice,
 - d. Rule 250C Extreme Wind,
 - e. Rule235C(b) Design Considerations for Wire Slap and Sag to Lower Conductors;
- 4. Corps of Engineers Easement Requirements,
 - a. Vertical Clearance Requirements,
 - b. Additional Clearance Requirements for Areas Designated for Rigging or Launching Sailboats;
- 5. Determining Lake Crossing Clearances,
 - a. High Water,
 - b. Sag and Tension for Long Crossings,
 - c. Worst Case Sag;
- 6. Additional Considerations.
 - a. Transmission Adders,
 - b. Marker Balls; and,
- 7. Example Problems.

Course Materials:

- 1. PowerPoint Presentation prepared by TEC C.O.R.E.;
- 2. Presentation Material Handouts:
- 3. NESC Clearance Handouts; and,
- 4. HB 4150 Law Handout.

*Note: MidSouth does not own or operate any transmission lines at or above 60 kV.

AFFIDAVIT

I swear or affirm that I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this report or am relying on people with personal knowledge, that I am competent to testify to them, and that I have the authority to submit this report on behalf of the affected entity. I further swear or affirm that all statements made in this report are true, correct, and complete.

Signature

Printed Name

General MANAger / CEO

Job Title

Mid-South Electric Cooperative Association

Name of Affected Entity

Sworn and subscribed before me this 26th day of

Month

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Notary Public, State of Texas
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My commission expires on 4-21-2024